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SUBJECT: KHMER CREDENTIALS AT UNGA

REF: (A) STATE 245010; (B) USUN 5627

1. AS INSTRUCTED REF A, I SPOKE TO ORN (MFA DIRECTOR OF UN AFFAIRS) THIS MORNING AND WAS TOLD THAT SWEDEN WOULD ABSTAIN IF VOTE COMES ON CHALLENGE TO CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT ON KHMER REPRESENTATION. ORN SAID INSTRUCTIONS HAD BEEN SENT TO THAT EFFECT.

2. I MADE THE CASE FOR CHANGE FROM ABSTENTION TO OPPOSITION AS SET FORTH IN REF B. ORN REPLIED THAT SWEDEN MADE A DISTINCTION WHICH WAS DECISIVE IN THIS CASE: IT WOULD OPPOSE CHALLENGE TO SOUTH AFRICA CREDENTIALS, FOR EXAMPLE, BECAUSE SWEDEN HAS DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH SAG WHILE IT WILL ABSTAIN ON CAMBODIA BECAUSE IT HAS NO RELATIONS WITH CAMBODIA. SWEDEN, HE
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SAID, HAS CONSISTENTLY ABSTAINED ON SUCH ISSUES INVOLVING

COUNTRIES WITH WHICH IT HAS NO RELATIONS.

3. I SAID THAT WHAT WE ARE DEALING WITH IS AN ATTEMPT TO REVERSE A UNGA DECISION BY POLITICIZING A PROCEDURAL QUESTION AND THAT SWEDEN HAD AN OVERRIDING INTEREST IN HEADING OFF A PRECEDENT THAT COULD BE GRAVELY DAMAGING TO UN. ORN SAID HE THOUGHT GOS WAS FIRM IN ITS DECISION. COMMENT: THERE IS NO REASON TO EXPECT GOS TO RECONSIDER ITS POSITION. IN DOMESTIC POLITICAL CONTEXT, GOVERNMENT'S REFUSAL TO CONSIDER RECOGNITION TO GRUNK IS ALREADY AS MUCH PROVOCATION OF THE PASSIONATE LEFT AS IT DARES. OLSEN

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